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written consent to authorize discussing the record with another person present.

§806b.12 Fees.

Give the first 100 pages free, and charge only reproduction costs for the remainder. Copies cost \$.15 per page; microfiche costs \$.25 per fiche. Charge the fee for the first 100 pages if records show that the Air Force already responded to a request for the same records at no charge. Do not charge fees:

(a) When the requester can get the record without charge under another publication (for example, medical records).

- (b) For search.
- (c) For reproducing a document for the convenience of the Air Force.
- (d) For reproducing a record so the requester can review it.

§806b.13 Denying or limiting access.

Process access denials within five workdays after you receive a request for access. When you may not release a record, send a copy of the request, the record, and why you recommend denying access (including the applicable exemption) to the denial authority through the Staff Judge Advocate (SJA) and the Privacy Act officer. The SJA gives a written legal opinion on the denial. The MAJCOM or FOA Privacy Act officer reviews the file, gets written advice from the SJA and the functional office of primary responsibility (OPR), and makes a recommendation to the denial authority. The denial authority sends the requester a letter with the decision. If the denial authority grants access, release the record. If the denial authority refuses access, tell the requester why and explain pertinent appeal rights.

- (a) Before you deny a request for access to a record, make sure that:
- (1) The system has an SAF approved exemption.
- (2) The exemption covers each document.
 - (3) Nonexempt parts are segregated.
- (b) You may refuse to give out medical records if a physician believes that doing so could harm the person's mental or physical health. You have these options:

- (1) Ask the requester to get a letter from a physician to whom you can send the records. Include a letter explaining to the physician that giving the records directly to the individual could be harmful.
- (2) Offer the services of a military physician other than one who provided treatment if naming the physician poses a hardship on the individual.
- (c) Do not delete third-party information from a record when the subject requests access, except as noted in \$806b.13(d), unless the Air Force covers the record with an established exemption (appendix C of this part). Presume that all information in a file pertains to the subject of the file.
- (d) Do not release third-party personal data (such as SSN and home address). This action is not a denial.
- (e) Withhold records compiled in connection with a civil action or other proceeding including any action where the Air Force expects judicial or administrative adjudicatory proceedings. This exemption does not cover criminal actions. Do not release attorney work products prepared before, during, or after the action or proceeding.

§806b.14 Denial authorities.

These officials or a designee may deny access or amendment of records. Send a letter to SAF/AAIA with the position titles of designees. You must get SAF/AA approval before delegating this authority to a lower level. Send requests for waiver with justification to SAF/AAIA. Authorities are:

- (a) DCSs and chiefs of comparable offices or higher level at SAF or HQ USAF.
 - (b) MAJCOM or FOA commanders.
- (c) HQ USAF/DPCP, Pentagon, Washington, DC 20330-5060 (for civilian personnel records).
- (d) Commander, Air Force Office of Special Investigations (AFOSI), Washington, DC 20332-6001 (for AFOSI records).

Subpart E-Amending the Record

§ 806b.15 Amendment reasons.

Individuals may ask to have their records amended to make them accurate, timely, relevant, or complete. System managers routinely correct a